

Application Serial No. 09/913,603

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REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application. Claims 1-9 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-5, 7 and 11 of copending application no.

09/913,596. Claims 10-15 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 31, 32, 34-36 and 39 of copending application no. 09/914,182. Terminal disclaimers to obviate a provisional double patenting rejection over a pending second application for both cited applications are attached herewith. A statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) is also attached. The individual who signed the enclosed documents is Mr. Bengt Forshult, Head of the Corporate Patent Department, SCA Hygiene Products AB, also responsible for the Zeist division. In view thereof, Applicants respectfully request that the provisional double patenting rejections be withdrawn.

Further and favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is believed to be next in order, and such action is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions concerning this paper or the application in general, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

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